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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request entry of preliminary amendments in the above-identified United States National Phase patent application. Please amend the claims as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend Claims 5 and 6 as follows:

A' 5. (Amended) The thermal sensor circuit of claim 3 wherein each of the first to sixth BJTs is an n-p-n transistor.

6. (Amended) The thermal sensor circuit of claim 3 wherein the current gain is given by:

$$\frac{I_2}{I_1} = \frac{\beta^2 + (3 + N)\beta}{\beta^2 + \beta + (2 + N)}$$

where:

I_1 is the first current input;

I_2 is the second current input; and

β is the common-emitter current gain of each of the first to sixth BJTs.